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AmeriCorps Week is a recruitment and recognition initiative to bring more Americans into service, salute AmeriCorps members and alums for their powerful impact, and thank the community partners who make AmeriCorps possible. AmeriCorps Week provides an opportunity for AmeriCorps members, alums, grantees, program partners, and friends to shine a spotlight on the work done by members in communities across the country—and to motivate more Americans to join AmeriCorps or volunteer in their communities.

When Is AmeriCorps Week?

The first-ever AmeriCorps Week is May 13-20, 2007 and will mark a historic milestone as the 13,500th AmeriCorps member in Michigan and the 500,000th AmeriCorps member in the country will take the pledge to "get things done for America."

What's Happening in Michigan?

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm has declared May 13-20th as Michigan's AmeriCorps Week. Many Michigan's AmeriCorps programs are hosting events and they encourage you to participate in one of them or in one of your own. Click here to see the chart of projects happening in Michigan.

What Can I Do During AmeriCorps Week?

Those with a special interest in AmeriCorps are encouraged to use their creativity to mark the week in any way they see fit. For example, members and alumni could make presentations to students or community groups. Grantees could stage an open house, service project, or volunteer fair. Local officials and leaders could be asked to serve as an AmeriCorps member for a day. And members and programs could spread the word about the power of service by writing letters to the editor or blogging about their AmeriCorps service online.

Where Can I Find Out More?

For information about Michigan's AmeriCorps Week, visit www.michigan.gov/mcsc and look for the AmeriCorps Week article on the home page. For national information, visit www.americorps.gov/americorpsweek.

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